



[MISSION 2024] SECURE: DAILY UPSC MAINS ANSWER WRITING PRACTICE



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GENERAL STUDIES - 1

Topic: G.S-I: History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.

1. Question: While India maintained a non-aligned stance in principle, its foreign policy during the Cold War was marked by pragmatic alliances and relationships that occasionally aligned more closely with one superpower than the other. Examine. (250 words)

Difficulty level: Moderate

Reference: <https://www.insightsonindia.com/world-history/cold-war/#:~:text=India%20during%20Cold%20War,becoming%20part%20of%20these%20alliances>

<https://www.insightsonindia.com/2019/07/24/nam/>

Why the question: The question is part of the static syllabus of General studies paper – 1.

GENERAL STUDIES - 1

Topic: G.S-I: Salient features of world's physical geography.

2. Question: The formation of global wind belts is influenced by several interrelated factors that contribute to the movement of air around the planet. Discuss. (250 words)

Difficulty level: Easy

Reference: <https://www.insightsonindia.com/indian-geography-2/indian-climate/winds/types-of-winds/>

Why the question: The question is part of the static syllabus of General studies paper – 1.

GENERAL STUDIES - 2

Topic: GS-II: Parliament and State legislatures—structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these.

3. Question: Effective parliamentary debates ensure that multiple viewpoints are considered, leading to more comprehensive and well-rounded legislation. Discuss. (250 words)

Difficulty level: Easy

Reference: <https://www.newindianexpress.com/opinions/2024/Jun/13/for-healthier-debates-in-the-new-house-of-the-people>

<https://www.insightsonindia.com/polity/parliament-and-state-legislatures/>

Why the question: With a higher proportion of opposition MPs in the new Lok Sabha, one hopes the House would no longer be treated as a mere notice board for the government.

GENERAL STUDIES - 3

Topic: G.S-III: Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life.

4. Question: How do vaccines function? Explain the types and the process of making vaccines. (150 words)

Difficulty level: Tough

Reference: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/science/aids-vaccine-germline-targetting-broadly-neutralising-antibodies/article68280354.ece>

Why the question: Researchers have unearthed two promising vaccine candidates that could engage B-cells to make broadly neutralising antibodies to attack HIV.

GENERAL STUDIES - 3

Topic: G.S-III: Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment.

5. Question: The Montreal Protocol is celebrated as the most effective international climate agreement due to its global consensus, rapid implementation and successful reduction of ozone-depleting substances. Examine the reasons for its success and the learnings it has for other environment related agreements. (250 words)

Difficulty level: Moderate

Reference: <https://www.downtoearth.org.in/news/climate-change/environmental-milestone-ozone-depleting-hcfc-show-drop-in-levels-5-years-ahead-of-target-year-96667>

<https://www.insightsonindia.com/environment/unique-ecosystems-degradation-and-management/ozone-depletion-and-protection/>

Why the question: In a promising development for the environment, a new study released has reported the first significant decrease in atmospheric concentrations of potent ozone-depleting substances (ODS) known as hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs).

GENERAL STUDIES - 4

Topic: G.S-IV: ethical issues in international relations and funding;

6. Question: Enforcing morality in international relations involves leveraging international laws, ethical leadership and conflict resolution mechanisms to promote and uphold ethical standards globally. Comment. (150 words)

Difficulty level: Moderate

Reference: Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude by Lexicon Publications.

Why the question: The question is part of the static syllabus of General studies paper – 4.

GENERAL STUDIES - 4

Topic: G.S-IV: Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion

7. Question: The link between changing one's attitude and changing one's behaviour is bidirectional and often reciprocal. Explain. (150 words)

Difficulty level: Tough

Reference: Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude by Lexicon Publications.

Why the question: The question is part of the static syllabus of General studies paper – 4.

CONSISTENT PRACTICE IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS



An amount of fear helps in pushing us towards hard work.

Fear and self-doubts are like fire—if in excess will burn and destroy the individual. If one is carefree one can become over-confident about one's capabilities. If anxieties, fears are kept under control it brings best out of an individual.

So,

Believe in yourself, anything is possible for a willing heart;
Aim high, Never give up, in fact, in every adversity lies an opportunity.



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